

1: Inmate AA*

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03 E- How would you describe the Makeright course?

04 A-It's ok, is good. Opportunity to learn new skills. When you have plenty of time in your hands learning skills is ideal.

05 Well, it was good because it helped me channel my energy to something that was positive and may help me start my own business in the future.

06 I liked the practical side of things. I disliked sitting around and talking for loads of hours 'cause I'm more a physical kind of learner so I learn more when I am demonstrated things ... so, yeah.

07 E- Have you experienced this before?

08 A-No.

09 E- What experience or knowledge did you have?

10 A-I had knowledge of Photoshop... I had a basic knowledge but improved as I went through the course.

11 I learned when the talking stops ... I need it - the physical demonstration to understand where I was going wrong. I learned how to construct a bag. ... From the bottom step drawing the design to making the bag.

E- What was most relevant?

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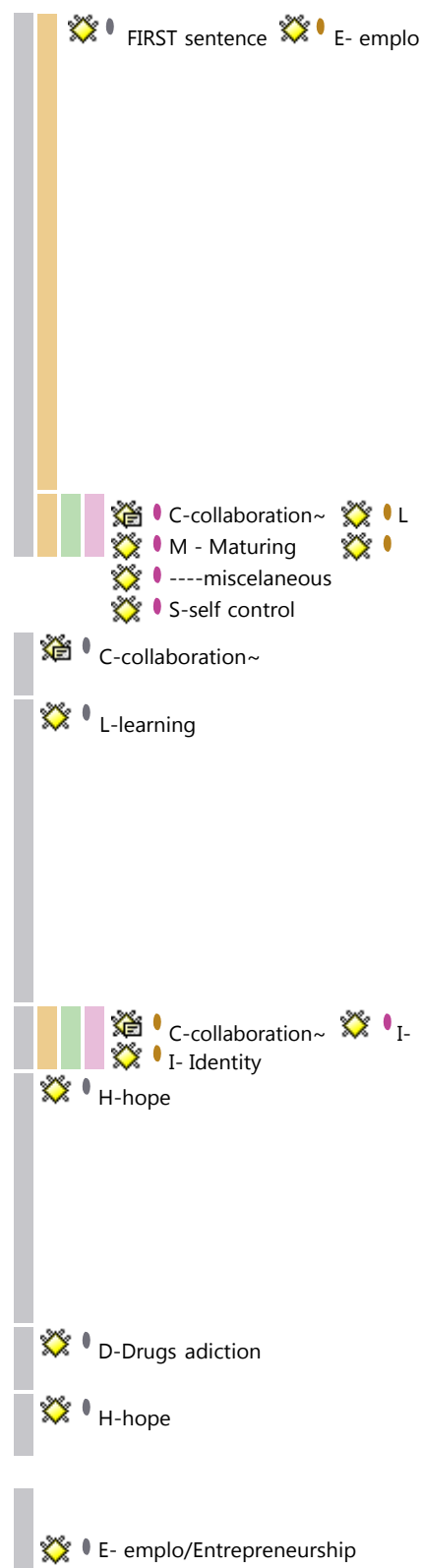
13 A- I think building my own logo. It's been something I wanted to do for a long time but never had the time to do it because I'm here now I've got the time I was able to... mmm... create my logo. This is the most relevant thing 'cause then when I go away I'll be able to do what I want with it.

14 E- What do you want to do with it?

15 A- I want to make a brand in the near future.


16 E- What would your brand do?

17 A-There are a lot of things I want to do but the current brand I am working on I am not going to say much until it comes out, I'd like to



talk when I have done all the work first. But this course - it has definitely been a step in the right direction for me.

18 E- Have you learned some survival skills?

 I- Identity

19 A- What a weird question.

20 E- (laughs) Maybe you are in the forest... and...

21 A- Yes a magical machine appears (smiles)! Not survival skills but yes home everyday skills. Before I would do it but now I know how to use a machine so if I ever go into a crisis and something is broken...(laughs)



 L-learning

22 E- Do you know anyone with a sewing machine?

 I- Identity

23 A- Not really, but it's funny as ever since starting this course I suddenly have an interest in sewing machines, and fashion and stuff like that which is quite weird because before I really didn't care about it. I sometimes look at the tv and I go on and QBC and I see big sewing machines and industrial sewing machines and I am watching - I didn't do that before - and I am actually watching them, taking notice of the type of sewing machine it is (laughing) listening to what they are saying which is really weird 'cause I didn't used to do that.

24 E- What does your cellmate say about it?

 H-hope
 M - Maturing

25 A- My cellmate doesn't really care (laughs). If I want to watch sewing, I want to watch sewing.

26 E- How was your experience at school?

 L-learning

27 A- That's a good question. Well, I wasted my opportunity to do textiles. I could have done I didn't pay much attention. But if I would have known that you could use that to create your own enterprise I would have paid more attention... I didn't really comprehend how good this would be... I preferred physical stuff... it was my way... I didn't really care what anyone had to say. I think everything happens for a reason. If I had ever been perfect I don't think it would have turn different to what is now.

28 E- Do you think this is any different to other courses?

 E- emplo/Entrepreneurship 

29 A- Yes, 'cause it is more practical. Totally out of my comfort zone. So

that's how it's different.

30 I did loads of things but I couldn't find anything that I had a passion for. I couldn't say that I have a passion for textiles but I do have a passion for building my own sort of brand and I like doing graphics design, making logos... in that sense this course helped slightly ... I'm quite interested in the machine there, embroidery machine? Would be something... would like to learn more...

31 E- Most memorable moments?

32 A- When I first constructed my logo and put it in the embroidery machine. The different things we were doing with the volunteers, interfacing, paper folding. That was quite memorable, 'cause I didn't like paper folding at all, so it's something I will never forget. Ammm... Yeah.

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34 It's interesting how you can do something really small and it can make a lot of difference that are not even involved on it. You think - oh, this is prison, people want to sit in their cells, smoke and they want to... you know what I mean - but it's surprising when you just introduce them to ONE thing, how they would turn and they will want to do that thing even now every time I'm in the wing, 5-6 people come to me - oh what you doing, what course, can you do this for me - they are asking questions... The fact that if people are asking questions about a prototype bag imagine if I was to make something that was really special. Like, they would be, they would want to come on board even more. So that gives me confidence when I actually do my own brand... with what I want to do on the outside.

35 E- Did you tell anyone about it? What did they say?



36 A- Not much 'cause they know me, I do stuff.



37 E- Were they surprised?

38 A- Not surprised but happy. I think it was a visit, I just drawn the master typography and I was so proud of it and I kind of hidden it through to the visit and took it out showed it to my brother and he was really happy. He was like - yeahhhh, this is proper man and when he says that... that's a big deal.

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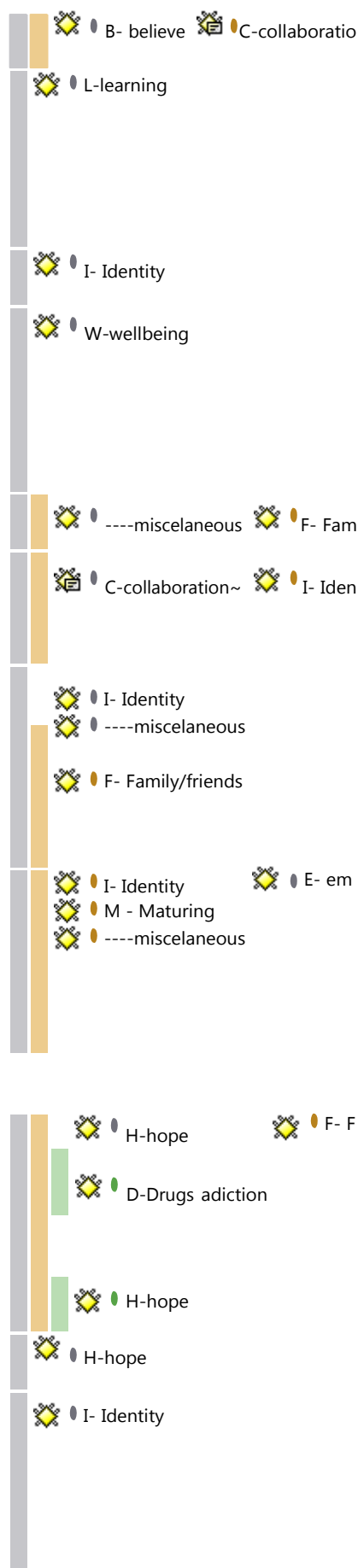
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 F- Family/friends

- 39 E- Comfortable/ uncomfortable moments?
- 40 A-Well, even being outsider my comfort zone was comfortable 'cause I am using to push myself....
Uncomfortable - maybe the paper folded... I don't know if it was 'cause I switched off.
- 41 E- Did you notice any changes?
- 42 A-Yeah, I look forward to coming back and working on something it really ... makes a difference when I'm locked up in my cell. My mood is much better. And when I come back from textiles my mood is still better 'cause I know that I have achieved something
It's a good feeling.
- 43 E- Did you like working with others?
- 44 A-I don't mind working with others if I have to... Any changes...? Not really. If I need to get on with people... I can work...
- 45 E- You made a bag for a persona. Did that make you think?
- 46 A- It was sort of my brother, active 22 year old... he was the persona... he has gone through a lot of bags so my persona was really aimed at ...
- 47 A- When I do my own thing I still got the skills that I got here so it doesn't matter if I give away something that is not done to the best... 'cause by the time I leave I already have the skills to do what I need to do.
- 48 E- Hopes and fears?
- 49 A- Well, I have a 5 year plan, basically within 5 years after being in prison I have goals and aims and I have everything written down and I know exactly what I need to do to get to the step I need to get to.
It's not going to be an easy road, but within 5 years I should have the capital that I need to never be broke again.
- 50 E- What helped you build that plan?
- 51 A- I always had a plan, to be fair, but when you are locked up and come to prison one good thing about it is you have a lot of time to focus on yourself. I realised before coming here I didn't really focus on myself. I was just kind of caught up in this and that I wasn't really thinking of the bigger picture.



When you are in a situation that you can't move from, where you are it kind of makes you re-evaluate your life and I think that's what you know the fact I wanted to put some change in my life. Is a shame 'cause I reckon I could have done it without coming to prison too but coming here makes you focus more and sharpen your tools.

52 E- Do you think Makeright was one of these tools?

53 A- Mmmm, Makeright brought out the creative side in me. It has always existed within me but Makeright definitely helped to bring it out.